



TOWN OF SHREWSBURY

SHREWSBURY, MASSACHUSETTS 01545-5398

Richard D. Carney Municipal Office Building

100 Maple Avenue

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Minutes Board of Sewer Commissioners

Meeting: January 14, 2002

Location: Upstairs Meeting Room

Present: Joseph Zecco, Chairman
Paul Swydan, Secretary
Paul Burnett
Jack Perreault, Town Engineer
Robert Tozeski, Superintendent Water & Sewer

The minutes from the meeting of December 10, 2002 were accepted as written.

1. Joseph Johnson, along with Jack Collins and Kevin Byrne appeared before the Board to discuss sewerage for three proposed house lots on Walnut Street. The question had been brought before the Board at a previous meeting. The lots did not pass the required perc tests for septic systems so sewer was the only alternative available.

The Town's proposed plan to sewer that area with a pump station at the low point was discussed in detail. Mr. Johnson suggested running a force main to service the lots along the edge of the road to the manhole at the intersection of the new Southwoods project. If the Town required a larger force main installed for future use, they would install the larger line in the middle of the road. The Board agreed to the concept pending approval from the Engineering and Sewer departments on the line sizes and locations.

2. Eric Gardner, representing Toll Brothers, appeared before the Board to discuss off-site credits for the Noble Oaks Estate subdivisions. Paperwork was presented showing off-site work totaling \$173,061.00. Work consisted of gravity and force main and other related costs. The total sewer assessment for the project totaled \$60,539.00 and the amount that could be abated would be a maximum of 35% of that total.

The Board voted unanimously to abate the amount of \$21,189.00 (35% of total assessment) pending receipt of cancelled checks and invoices that would verify the work.

3. The Board acknowledged receipt of a letter from the Town Manger regarding negotiations with the Town of Grafton for sewer service to Centech Park.
4. The Board was apprised that Town Counsel Philip Leader had spoken to a family member regarding the Munro property sewer situation. The proposal to pay a portion of the pump up system cost was received favorable but official notice has not been given to the Board. The Board asked that Town Counsel contact the family and receive a formal acceptance of the proposal by January 31st.
5. The Board reviewed the changes in the sewer regulation regarding assessments. As voted at the December meeting, a per unit assessment of \$3,000.00 was set for multifamily properties. The Board also voted to revise the minimum assessment on all properties to \$3,000.00. This would treat single family houses, duplexes and multifamily dwelling units in a consistent manner.
6. The Board asked a letter be sent to the Town Manager summarizing the changes that have been made regarding fees and off-site credits.
7. An update was given on the CWMP. Both DEP and EPA were talking together to try to come to a resolution on certain matters by the end of the month.
8. The Board signed various assessments.

The meeting was adjourned @ 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Tozeski
Superintendent Water & Sewer

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